Exhibit A



Deposition of: **Elizabeth Vail Fortson**

February 17, 2021

In the Matter of:

Fortson, Elizabeth V et al v. Garrison Property & Casualty Insurance Co

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1	UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
	FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA
2	Civil Action No. 1:19-cv-00294-CCE-JLW
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	ELIZABETH V. FORTSON, on :
4	behalf of herself and all :
	others similarly situated, :
5	:
	Plaintiff, :
6	:
	vs. :
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	GARRISON PROPERTY AND :
8	CASUALTY INSURANCE :
	COMPANY, :
9	:
	Defendant. :
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	VIDEO DEPOSITION OF ELIZABETH FORTSON
13	(Taken by the Defendant)
	Raleigh, North Carolina
14	February 17, 2021
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	Reported by: Jackie Johnson Milam
22	Court Reporter
	Notary Public
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1 APPEARANCES:	1	PROCEEDINGS:		
2 Hendren Redwine & Malone, PLLC	2	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Good morning everyone		
3 BY: J. MICHAEL MALONE, ESQUIRE (Via Virtual Zoom)	3	We are going on the Record. The time on the monitor		
4 4600 Marriott Drive	4	is approximately 11:00 a.m. Eastern standard time.		
Suite 150 5 Raleigh, North Carolina 27612	5	The date is February 17, 2021. This is		
mmalone@hendrenmalone.com	6	media unit #1 of the video recorded deposition of		
6 Hagens Berman Sobol Shapiro LLP	7	Elizabeth Vail Fortson taken by counsel for the		
7 BY: TORY BEARDSLEY, ESQUIRE (Via Virtual Zoom)	8	Defendant in the matter of Elizabeth V. Fortson on		
8 11 West Jefferson Street	9	behalf of herself and all other similarly situated,		
Suite 1000 9 Phoenix, Arizona 85003	10	Plaintiff versus Garrison Property and Casualty,		
toryb@hbss.com	11	Defendant.		
10 Attorneys for Plaintiff 11 Baker & Hostetler LLP	12			
BY: ANDREA C. WILTROUT, ESQUIRE		The case is filed in the United States		
12 RODGER L. ECKELBERRY, ESQUIRE (Via Virtual Zoom)	13	District Court for the Middle District of North		
13 200 Civic Center Drive Suite 2200	14	Carolina. Case No. 1:19-cv-00294-CCE-JLW.		
14 Columbus, Ohio 43215	15	This deposition is being held virtually on		
awiltrout@bakerlaw.com 15 reckelberry@bakerlaw.com	16	Zoom. My name is Sean Lowther. I'm the		
Attorneys for Defendant	17	videographer, and the court reporter is Jackie		
16 17	18	Johnson, and we're representing Veritext Legal		
18	19	Solutions.		
19	20	If counsel would please introduce		
20 21 Video Deposition of ELIZABETH FORTSON, taken by	21	themselves and whom they are representing, starting		
the Defendant in Raleigh, North Carolina, on the 17th	22	with Attorney Wiltrout.		
22 day of February, 2021 at 11:00 a.m., before Jackie Johnson Milam, Court Reporter and Notary Public.	23	MS. WILTROUT: Andrea Wiltrout on behalf of		
23 24	24	the Defendant, Garrison.		
25	25	MR. MALONE: Mike Malone on behalf of the		
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1 CONTENTS	1	Plaintiff.		
2	2	MR. ECKELBERRY: Rodger Eckelberry also for		
3	3	Defendant.		
4 The Witness: ELIZABETH FORTSON	4	MS. BEARDSLEY: Tory Beardsley of Hagens		
5 By Ms. Wiltrout6	5	Berman Sobol Shapiro on behalf of Plaintiff.		
6	6	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Thank you.		
7 INDEX OF THE EXHIBITS	7	And at this time, if the court reporter		
8 For the Defendant	8	would please swear in the witness.		
9	9	Whereupon,		
10 Exhibit 1 Photographs24	10	ELIZABETH FORTSON,		
11 Exhibit 2 Claims File38	11	having been duly sworn,		
12 Exhibit 3 CCC One Market Valuation Report	12	was examined and testified as follows:		
13 10/26/1858	13	MS. WILTROUT: Okay. Hi there. My name is		
14 Exhibit 4 Garrison Loss Summary91	14	Andrea Wiltrout, and I'm just going to ask you a		
15 Exhibit 5 Letter from J. Michael Malone to	15	couple of questions.		
16 USAA 11/14/1795	16	First, before we get started, what name do		
17 Exhibit 6 Certified Policy106	17	you prefer? Do you prefer		
18	18	MR. MALONE: Andrea, real quick Andrea,		
19		real quick. We wanted to knock out that stipulation.		
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19 20	20	MS. WILTROUT: I'm going to. Okay. I was		
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20 21	21	going to do that MR. MALONE: Okay.		
20 21 22	21 22	going to do that		

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1	MS. WILTROUT: So just	1	I don't expect this to last all day, but we			
2	MR. MALONE: Oh, I got you. I apologize.	2	can take breaks if we need them. So if you need to			
3	Okay.	3	take a break, just let we know, and I'll be happy to			
4	MS. WILTROUT: real quick. Yeah.	4				
5	MR. MALONE: I just didn't want us to	5	The only thing I ask is that we take a			
6	forget. Okay.	6	break after you've answered the question that's			
7	MS. WILTROUT: Ms. Fortson I have it	7	happening at the time.			
8	written down.	8	THE WITNESS: Okay.			
9	MR. MALONE: Okay. Got it.	9	MS. WILTROUT: Okay. Your lawyer may object			
10	EXAMINATION BY COUNSEL FOR THE DEFENDANT	10	to some of the questions that I ask today. That's			
	BY MS. WILTROUT:	11	his right to do that. He's making the objections to			
12	Q. Ms. Fortson, what should I call you?	12	preserve them for the Record, although he might make			
13	A. You can call me Vail.	13	less than normal.			
14	Q. Vail. Okay.	14	You are still required to answer the			
15	Could you please state your full name for the	15	question even over your lawyer's objection, unless he			
	Record?	16	specifically instructs you not to do that; is that			
17	A. Elizabeth Vail Fortson.	17	good?			
18	MS. WILTROUT: Okay. So I'm going to ask	18	THE WITNESS: Yes.			
19	you a series of questions today.	19	MS. WILTROUT: Okay. Great.			
20	I wanted to state, for the Record, that we		BY MS. WILTROUT:			
21	have agreed, prior to the beginning of this	21	Q. All right. I'm going to start out with an easy			
22	deposition, that all objections are reserved except		one. What is your birthday?			
23	as to form.	23	A. 10/4/87.			
24	MR. MALONE: Agreed.	24	Q. Okay. So that makes you how old?			
25	MS. WILTROUT: Thank you.	25	A. I'm 33.			
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1 A. Oh, actually, I'm technically employed through my	1 MR. MALONE: No, that was			
2 father.	2 THE WITNESS: No, there was not a lawsuit.			
3 Q. Okay. What do you do for him?	3 MS. WILTROUT: Okay. Okay.			
4 A. Whatever work he needs me to do.	4 MR. MALONE: No.			
5 Q. Okay. What's his business?	5 USAA Garrison has the right to conduct an			
6 A. It's a consulting business. He does IT	6 examination under oath, and they exercised that right			
7 consulting work.	7 as part of their investigation of the injury claim.			
8 Q. How long have you worked for him?	8 MS. WILTROUT: Okay. All right.			
9 A. Several years.	9 BY MS. WILTROUT:			
10 Q. Okay. Have you ever had a job in the insurance	10 Q. So other than that, have you ever been a party to			
11 industry before?	11 a lawsuit?			
12 A. No.	12 A. No.			
13 Q. Have you ever worked for a car dealer before?	13 Q. Okay. Have you ever been a member of a class			
14 A. No.	14 action or I'm sorry. Let me start over.			
15 Q. Have you ever worked for a car manufacturer?	15 Have you ever been a class member in a class			
16 A. No.	16 action lawsuit, that you are aware of?			
17 Q. Any jobs at all in the automotive industry?	17 A. No.			
18 A. No.	18 Q. Have you ever testified under oath before			
19 Q. Okay. Is there any reason I have to ask this	19 A. No.			
20 next couple of questions, even though they might sound	20 Q other than the examination that we just talked			
21 kind of weird.	21 about?			
Is there any reason that you can't proceed with	22 A. No.			
23 the deposition today?	23 Q. What did you do to prepare for your deposition			
24 A. No.	24 today?			
25 Q. Are you on any medications or drugs that might	25 A. I worked with my lawyers. I studied and, you			
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1 I'm more of a visual person. So if I see it, I	1 A. Well, it doesn't even map it out on the like
2 could tell you.	2 on the graph they have or chart. It doesn't even
3 Q. Okay. Okay. Did you just speak with Mr. Malone	3 explain it.
4 or were there other lawyers present?	4 Q. Okay.
5 A. There were lawyers from Hagens Berman as well.	5 A. And how can every car be the same deduction?
6 Q. Do you remember their names?	6 Q. Well, let's talk about your car.
7 A. Tory and, I think oh, what was the other guy's	7 Tell me what car you had that is the subject of
8 name?	8 your claim.
9 Q. John?	9 A. I had a Cadillac CTS, I believe it was, that my
10 A. Was it John? Yeah, John.	10 grandfather had gifted me three months prior.
11 Q. Okay. John. So Tory, John, and Mike. Okay.	Q. Do you remember what year it was?
Were you guys in person?	12 A. It was like a 2014, I think, or something around
13 A. Yes. On Zoom.	13 then.
14 Q. Have you talked with anybody else about this	Q. Could it have been a little older, like maybe a
15 deposition?	15 2004?
16 A. No.	A. Maybe that. I don't I have a brain injury.
17 Q. So do you understand that we're here today to	17 I'm sorry.
18 talk about the claims that you've made in a lawsuit	Q. Oh, that's fine.
19 against Garrison?	So you said you got it. You had it for about
20 A. Yes.	20 three months; is that right?
21 Q. All right. I'd like to begin by asking you to	A. Uh-huh.
22 tell us, in your own words, what it is that you contend	Q. So did your grandpa give it to you as like a
23 that Garrison did wrong?	23 present or do you
24 MR. MALONE: I'll object to the form. I	24 A. Yes.

1 gave you the car.

A. He wanted to give it to me for a while, but I

Q. Okay. So tell me what you remember about when he

3 wasn't able to come down until the summer, and they had 4 it, and so they gave it to me. He had gotten it -- when

5 I came down, I was down for like a week, and they -- he 6 got it serviced while I was there, fully serviced. We

7 took it to the shop. We got new tires put on it,

8 everything like that, and then I took it back.

It had been running fine, and then all of a

10 sudden something happened, and it died, and then I had

11 my accident. But it was in really good condition, and

12 it was a good car.

Q. It was a good car?

A. Uh-huh.

15 Q. Just to break down what you just said.

16 Do you remember when your grandpa got the

17 vehicle?

A. I think he had it for about like four months

19 prior to that. He had gotten it from my dad's cousin,

20 and she had bought it brand new. So --

Q. So had your dad's cousin purchased it in 2004?

A. Yes, from a Cadillac dealership.

23 And she had only had it serviced at the Cadillac

24 dealership.

Q. Okay. And when did she -- when did he buy it

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1 But you can go ahead and answer, Vail. 2 THE WITNESS: They did an unlawful or an 3 illegal, and they broke the law and the insurance 4 policy by doing an unitemized and random condition 5 adjustment that -- to adjust the payment claim -- to adjust the payments. 7 BY MS. WILTROUT: Q. And just to clarify. Who -- which entity are you 9 alleging did that in this lawsuit, which company?

would object to the form.

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10 A. I guess Garrison.

11 Q. Garrison. Okay. I just wanted to clarify that.

12 Okay. So you said that they -- let me -- they

13 used an unitemized and random condition adjustment.

14 Tell me how you know that it was random. Tell me more

15 about that.

A. Well, if you look on the CCC report, you can see

17 that they tell you when the mileage is, and they deduct

18 that, and where they do like the -- you know, if you

19 have more, you know, amenities or not on your car,

20 whatever you say, you know, and then -- but there's this

21 other one that they don't clarify what it is. It just

22 says condition, and they deduct \$722.00 off of every

23 other comparable -- comparable vehicle, and there's no

24 reason or statement why. That's why we're arguing.

25 Q. Okay. What should they have done?

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1 from her? When did your grandpa buy the car from your	1 Q. What was the name of the shop that they took it				
2 dad's cousin?	2 to that was around the corner?				
3 A. Technically, when I went down there in the	3 A. I'm not I'm not sure I recall that. I just				
4 summer, but she was just storing it there for four	4 know where it is.				
5 months, because she had just gotten a new car, and my	5 Q. You just know where it is. That's how I am with				
6 grandparents had a very big driveway in Florida.	6 car places, too.				
7 So I mean, she'd come by and get it sometimes,	7 Do you remember if it was a local store or if it				
8 but and they were also elderly, but they also had it	8 was a national chain?				
9 there just to take care of family and knowing that it	9 A. I think it's a local place.				
10 was going to go to me at some point.	10 Q. Okay. And I heard in your answer that they took				
11 Q. Okay. So this was in Florida.	11 it somewhere else from the shop?				
Did you have to did you have to travel down	12 A. That's not what I no.				
13 from North Carolina to get the car	13 Q. Oh, okay. Did they do all the maintenance				
14 A. Yes.	14 there				
15 Q from Florida?	15 A. Yes.				
Okay. Do you know if your grandpa paid for the	16 Q at the shop?				
17 car	17 Okay. Did they do it all in the same day?				
	18 A. Yes.				
(18) A. Yes.(19) Q paid your do you know how much he paid?)	18 A. Yes. 19 Q. Did you guys wait at the service appointment?				
	20 A. No, because we drove two cars there. So we took				
Q. Okay. So the car sat for four months, and then	21 one back.				
22 you came down, and then what happened next?	22 Q. Okay. Do you know how long the car how long				
23 A. It didn't really sit for four months, because it	23 it was before you picked up the car?				
24 was still driven.	24 A. It was like all day or it might have been the				
Q. Oh, it was still driven during that time?	25 next day, but it was it was a really it was a				
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1 A. Yeah.	1 while. So				
Q. Okay. Who was driving it?	2 Q. Do you know how long it took for them to work on				
3 A. My grandparents and then, also, as I said, my	3 the car?				
4 cousin would still come down and get it sometimes as	4 A. It was at least all day or we might have picked				
5 well.	5 it up the next day, but it was a very long time, because				
6 Q. Okay. During that time, do you know if there was	6 we took it in the morning, and I know we were there				
7 any service performed on the car?	7 it was there for a long time.				
8 A. Personally me, no, I do not.	8 Q. Okay. And so you said they gave you new brakes,				
9 Q. Okay. Do you remember any services performed on	9 right?				
10 the car after you came down to Florida?	10 A. Yes, I believe so.				
11 A. Me, I do not remember any services done on the	11 Q. Did they do anything to the tires?				
12 car while I had it. No.	12 A. They gave us new tires and an alignment.				
13 Q. Okay. Do you remember your grandpa having	13 Q. Did you go anywhere else with your grandpa to get				
14 services performed on the car before he gave it to you?	14 work done on the vehicle?				
15 A. Yes, I was I was there. He had it fully	15 A. No.				
16 serviced and put new tires on it.	16 Q. Do you remember who paid for the services?				
17 Q. Okay. So you were present at the service	17 A. My grandfather.				
18 A. Yes.	18 Q. That was very nice of him.				
19 Q that your grandpa did?	Do you know how much it was?				
Okay. Okay. So tell me tell me about that.	20 A. No. He wouldn't have let me know that.				
21 A. We went to the shop that's just around the corner	21 Q. Did he pay like that day?				
22 and they took it to before, and then they did a full	22 A. Yes.				
23 servicing on it and then like, you know, oil change,	23 Q. Okay. So about what time of year did this				
24 alignment, everything, and brakes, whatever, and then	24 happen?				
25 put new tires on it.	25 A. Summer 2016.				
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1 Q. Do you remember doing any service on the car	1 A. I see my totaled car.				
2 after the summer of 2016?	2 Q. Okay. I want you to go to the Page No. 7 of				
3 A. Not that I recall.	3 those pictures.				
4 Q. Did you do anything to the vehicle after you	4 A. Okay.				
5 received it?	5 Q. And look on the bottom right-hand corner, and you				
6 A. No.	6 should see Garrison P&C 00073; do you see that?				
7 Q. Do you remember how many miles the car had on it	7 A. Yes.				
8 when you received it?	8 Q. Okay. What do you see in that picture?				
9 A. No idea.	9 A. I see that it's an oil change for 11/15 and the				
10 Q. Okay. Do you know how many miles you drove it	10 miles at 73,555.				
11 after you received it?	11 MS. WILTROUT: I'd like to mark this				
12 A. Probably not a lot.	12 document as Exhibit 1 to the deposition.				
My mom had cancer at the time. So I wasn't going	13 (Defendant's Exhibit No. 1 was marked for				
14 anywhere.	14 identification)				
15 Q. Okay. So I might have already asked you this,	15 BY MS. WILTROUT:				
16 but I just want to confirm.	16 Q. Do you remember having this sticker on your car?				
Did you have any maintenance performed on the	17 A. No.				
18 car	18 Q. No?				
19 A. No.	19 A. I mean, I guess it was there, but I don't				
Q after receiving it?	20 remember it there.				
21 A. Not that I recall.	21 Q. Okay. Do you remember getting a sticker like				
Q. And approximately how long did you have the	22 this when you had the maintenance done with your				
23 vehicle before the accident?	23 grandpa?				
24 A. Three months.	24 A. That wouldn't have been the right year, because I				
25 Q. All right. Can you pull up a document that is	25 wouldn't have had the car then.				
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1 took your Cadillac CTS to the interior detailing place?	1 Q. Tell me what you remember about the exterior of
2 A. No, I can't remember that time.	2 your car.
3 Q. But do you remember that you did it?	3 THE WITNESS: The exterior was
4 A. I know that I would do it around that time, yes,	4 MR. MALONE: Objection to form.
5 but I can't remember the exact date. No.	5 You can answer.
6 Q. Okay. Did you ever have the leather	6 THE WITNESS: The exterior was in really
7 reconditioned in the car?	7 good condition. There were no scratches or fading.
8 A. If I did the shampooing, it probably would do	8 BY MS. WILTROUT:
9 that too.	9 Q. Okay. All right. So I don't need to know the
10 Q. Go ahead and look at the pictures again, if you	10 details of the accident, but generally speaking, tell me
11 would, and go to the third picture, which is Garrison	11 how the car was involved in the accident.
12 P&C 00068.	12 A. That's hard to answer that about the accident.
Do you remember having the scratch on the	13 Q. I don't want to I don't want to get into, you
14 leather? Actually, tell me tell me what you see in	14 know, to what happened to you, you know. I just wanted
15 this picture.	15 to know
16 A. I see a leather with a scratch in it.	16 A. I was stuck on the side of the road waiting for a
17 Q. Okay. Do you remember how that happened?	17 tow truck, and this guy was high on heroin, and he hit
18 A. I think I got it that way.	18 me going 75 miles an hour, and I went 100 feet against
19 Q. Okay. So this was before your dad's cousin	19 the concrete barrier, and so the his car went into my
20 A. I think so.	20 car and pushed me 100 feet into a concrete barrier.
21 Q. Okay. And just to be clear.	21 That's what happened. My car was completely stopped.
Is this what your seats looked like on the day of	22 So
23 your accident?	23 Q. I'm so sorry. That sounds horrible.
24 MR. MALONE: Objection.	24 A. It was.
25 You can answer, Vail.	25 Q. And so you were stopped because your car had lost
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1 THE WITNESS: I guess so.	1 speed, right?
2 I mean, the seats are really, really soft.	2 A. Uh-huh.
3 They were like buttery soft, except for that scratch.	3 Q. Okay. So was that the first time that it ever
4 But I honestly don't remember that scratch being that	4 happened?
5 big. So	5 A. Yes.
6 BY MS. WILTROUT:	6 Q. So describe to me, in your own words, what
7 Q. Okay. Does this look like a picture that was	7 happened.
8 taken of your of the seat of your car?	8 A. I was driving, and all of a sudden it lost power,
9 A. Yes.	9 and so then I tried to get as much on the shoulder as I
Q. Okay. And there's a scratch on it, right?	10 could, and then I was waiting for a tow truck, and then,
11 A. Yes.	11 bam, it happened.
12 Q. Do you know how old the brakes were on the	Q. When the car lost power, did the interior lights
13 vehicle?	13 shut off?
14 A. They were new.	(14) A. Everything shut off.
15 Q. They were all the brakes were brand new?	15 Q. Everything shut off. Okay. So it completely
16 A. All. I would guess so. I don't know.	16 stopped.
17 Q. What about the exterior, were there any tell	How long had you been driving at that point?
18 me about the condition of the exterior.	18 A. Two hours.
19 MR. MALONE: Objection.	19 Q. So you were two were you driving away from
20 THE WITNESS: The exterior had been	20 your home two hours?
21 MR. MALONE: Hold on. Objection.	21 A. No. I was on the way back. I was coming from
22 You can answer, Vail.	22 the beach.
23 MS. WILTROUT: I'm sorry. I'll rephrase my	23 Q. Were you alone?
24 question.	24 A. Yes.
25 BY MS. WILTROUT:	25 Q. And had the car ever done anything like this

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1 before?	1 Q. It was on the phone. Okay.				
2 A. No.	2 Did Garrison inspect your car after that?				
3 Q. Had your grandpa ever reported that this happened	3 A. I will rely on my lawyers for that, because I do				
4 or any mechanical issues?	4 not know.				
5 A. No, nobody any this car had never had	5 Q. All right. So I'm mostly I'm 100 percent only				
6 mechanical issues before.	6 interested in what you know and what you remember.				
7 Q. And who were you insured by at the time of the	7 So why don't you just tell me about what you				
8 accident?	8 remember about				
9 A. USAA Garrison.	9 A. I can't honestly not say, because I don't				
10 Q. And what day did you report the accident to	10 remember. That first year is really vague for me.				
11 Garrison?	11 Q. Understood. Okay.				
12 A. I cannot recall that, because I was in the	Do you remember finding out that your car had				
13 hospital. So I can't personally state that date	13 been totaled?				
14 exactly.	14 A. Yes.				
15 Q. Okay. Do you remember do you ever remember	15 Q. Okay. What do you remember about that?				
16 making the call?	16 A. I just knew that it was totaled. That's all I				
17 A. No.	17 knew.				
18 Q. Okay. So what do you know about the reporting of	18 Q. Do you remember who told you?				
19 the accident?	19 A. It was probably				
20 A. Do you mean to the police? I	20 MR. MALONE: Objection.				
21 Q. I mean to I'm sorry.	21 THE WITNESS: one of my parents.				
What do you recall about reporting the accident	22 MR. MALONE: Hold on. I was going to object				
23 to Garrison?	23 if that required Vail to disclose attorney/client				
A. Not much at all.	24 communications.				
Q. Do you remember who made the call?	25 If you can answer that Vail, without				
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2 settlement for the total amount.	2 an attorney, I'm not asking the contents of the
3 Q. Do you remember when you got the check?	3 conversation. I'm just asking, you know, if you had
4 A. No.	4 that conversation?
5 Q. Okay. Do you remember hearing that there would	5 MR. MALONE: If you're I'm going to
6 be additional funds coming after you received the check?	6 sustain maintain the objection that she should not
7 A. No, I did not.	7 answer the question if that even if the car says,
8 Q. Okay. Did you deposit the check?	8 "Did you discuss the value of the vehicle with
9 A. Yes.	9 anyone?" If the answer is, "Yes, my attorney." Then
10 Q. Do you remember when you deposited the check?	10 don't answer the question, because that question
11 A. No.	11 seeks to reveal the content of attorney/client
12 Q. So who would have deposited the check in your	12 communications, and we're not waiving that privilege
13 checking account?	13 at this point.
14 A. It actually was my father.	14 But you can go ahead and answer, Vail.
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19 A. I think he did some, but I I think that he did	19 A other than my father.
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2 identification)	2	understand. That's all. Thank you.			
3 BY MS. WILTROUT:	3	MS. WILTROUT: Okay. Let me know if you			
4 Q. Okay. Take a look at this document and tell me	4	need if you need help.			
5 if you remember receiving it.		BY MS. WILTROUT:			
6 MR. MALONE: Andrea, I hate to interject	-	6 Q. So the document that has the title Claim and			
7 here, but just for purpose of clarity.		Payment Information, which is 111 Garrison			
8 Are you asking whether she received it now	8	THE WITNESS: Once again, my computer shut			
9 or whether she remembers receiving it back in October	9	off.			
10 of 2017?	10	MS. WILTROUT: It's Page 5.			
11 MS. WILTROUT: Those are both good	11	THE WITNESS: I'm trying to get it reopened.			
12 questions. We'll start with the first one.	12	MS. WILTROUT: Okay. If we get into a			
13 BY MS. WILTROUT:	13	pinch, I can always just bring it up on the screen,			
14 Q. Vail, do you remember receiving this document in	14	too.			
15 October of 2016?	15	THE WITNESS: I might need you to do that,			
16 A. I wouldn't have received it then, because I would	16	because right now, my computer is not wanting to open			
17 have been in the hospital.	17	it. It was open, and then it just froze, and then it			
18 Q. Okay. Have you seen this document before?	18	closed out.			
19 A. Yes.	19	MS. WILTROUT: Really annoying.			
20 Q. Do you know if this document was received and/or	20	THE WITNESS: It is.			
21 reviewed by anyone on your behalf?	21	MS. WILTROUT: Okay.			
MR. MALONE: Objection.	22	MR. MALONE: You were doing so good.			
You can answer, if you know.	23	THE WITNESS: I know.			
THE WITNESS: I don't know.	24	MS. WILTROUT: Okay. Let me set myself up			
25 BY MS. WILTROUT:	25	for screen sharing.			
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1 Q. So I'm sorry. Have you ever seen this document	1	THE WITNESS: I'm so sorry.			
2 before?	2	MS. WILTROUT: No, it's all good.			
3 A. Yes.	3	We can also take a break if you want to try			
4 Q. Okay. All right. So go to and I apologize,	4	to get it back up but, like I said, I'm happy to do			
5 because my bates numbers are messed up, but I believe	5	this.			
6 it's the actually, let me pull it up on here.	6	Yeah, do you want to take a break and see			
7 MR. MALONE: Andrea, I hate to again	7	if you can restart your computer?			
8 interject, but when we talk about this document,	8	THE WITNESS: Yeah, I can try and do that			
9 there's a letter, and then there's a CCC One report	9	real quick.			
10 that's attached to it.	10	MS. WILTROUT: Okay. So we can go off the			
So when you say this document, are you	11	Record.			
talking about the letter or the CCC report?	12	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time on the monitor			
MS. WILTROUT: I was talking about the	13	is approximately 11:48 a.m., and we're off the			
14 letter in the entirety.	14	Record.			
MR. MALONE: So the letter with the report	15	(A brief recess was taken in the deposition)			
16 attached to it?	16	THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time on the monitor			
MS. WILTROUT: Yes, because that's how it	17	is approximately 12:01 p.m., and we're back on the			
18 was transmitted.	18	Record.			
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20 trying to understand. You're good.	20	Q. All right. Ms. Fortson, right before we left, we			
21 MS. WILTROUT: I'm happy to provide any		Proven have that document that you have up.			
22 clarification necessary.	22	Do you have that document up in front of you?			
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25 then.	25	A. Yes, I have it.			

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1	\circ	Okay.	Great	
1	\sim .	OKuy.	Great.	

- 2 All right. So if you would go to, I believe, the
- 3 fifth page in that letter that says Claim and Payment
- 4 Information.
- 5 A. Claim and Payment Information. Five. Okay. All
- 6 right. Okay. Oh, my gosh. I see where it says Market
- 7 Valuation Report on the fifth page.
- 8 Q. Okay. I'm going to go ahead and pull up the one
- 9 that I've got. And of course, it's not working. I
- 10 should have had this up before. Give me one second. I
- 11 think I jinxed myself.
- Yes. Yeah. So go to Page 5 of the document. It
- 13 should be Garrison P&C 111.
- 14 A. 111.
- 15 Q. It's Page 5 of the PDF.
- 16 A. Okay. Got you. I see it now.
- 17 Q. Okay. All right. So can you tell from this
- 18 document what the vehicle's actual cash value was
- 19 reported as being in this report?
- 20 A. You mean the -- it says \$6,690.00.
- 21 Q. Yes. And what other items do you see under that
- 22 number?
- 23 A. I see the Sales Tax is \$200.70. I see the
- 24 Registration and Plate Fee is \$20.00. I see the Title
- 25 Fee is \$52.00, and the net --

Page 42 1 Q. Base Vehicle Value.

- 2 A. It says \$6,560.00, plus a different Condition
- 3 Adjustment of \$130.00.
- 4 Q. And I just realized right before we got off the
- 5 break, there was a little confusion about whether or not
- 6 you actually looked at this report.
- 7 Do you remember seeing this before preparing for
- 8 your deposition today?
- 9 A. Yes.
- 10 Q. Okay. But do you remember seeing this report
- 11 after your accident?
- 12 A. You mean right after my accident? No.
- Q. Okay. Go ahead and look at -- I'm sorry to make
- 14 you go back and do this.
- Go to the second page of the document of
- 16 Exhibit 2. Do you see a transmittal page?
- 17 A. Yes.
- Q. Who is the document showing that it was sent to?
- 19 A. It says Salvage Recovery.
- Q. So I'm looking at the second page, 00108, of the
- 21 actual PDF.
- A. Oh, that's the wrong page. Sorry. It says it
- 23 was sent to my e-mail.
- Q. Okay. That evfortson@gmail.com is your e-mail?
- 25 A. Yes.

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- 1 Q. And what --
- 2 A. Go ahead.
- 3 Q. I broke my own rule. Finish what you were
- 4 saying.
- 5 A. And the net total being \$6,982.70.
- 6 Q. Okay. Is that what you remember receiving as
- 7 payment from Garrison?
- 8 A. I believe so.
- 9 Q. We'll talk more about the actual cash value, but
- 10 I just want to make sure that you remember receiving the
- 11 sales tax payment, registration fee, and title fee?
- 12 A. Okay.
- 13 Q. Correct?
- 14 A. Yes
- 15 Q. Okay. So then go ahead, skip a couple pages up,
- 16 just the next page.
- 17 A. Okay.
- 18 Q. What do you see here?
- 19 A. Report Summary.
- 20 Q. And this is from CCC, right, CCC One?
- 21 A. Yes
- 22 Q. Okay. Tell me what it says here for Base Vehicle
- 23 Value.
- 24 A. Base Vehicle Value? Did you say Bates Vehicle
- 25 Value or Base Vehicle Value?

- Q. Okay. And so do you have any reason to believe
- 2 that this document that we're talking about right now
- 3 was not sent to your e-mail?
- 4 A. No.
- Q. And were you having somebody check your e-mail
- 6 during that time for correspondence about your
- 7 automobile accident?
- 8 A. Probably, because I couldn't even be on my phone
- 9 at the time. I couldn't even -- I wasn't even allowed

10 to look at my phone.

- 11 Q. Okay. All right. So let's take a look at the
- 12 Base Vehicle Value. I think you might have answered
- 13 that. I apologize if I asked that already.
- But what do you see here?
- 15 A. You're going back to that other page?
- 16 Q. Yes. Go back to that other page.
- 17 A. So the Base Vehicle Value says \$6,560.00.
- 18 Q. Okay. And do you see a Condition Adjustment?
- 19 A. Yes, a different Condition Adjustment. It says
- 20 \$130.00.
- 21 Q. And is that a positive or a negative Condition
- 22 Adjustment?
- 23 A. It's a positive Condition Adjustment.
- 24 Q. And so then you have -- and what is the Adjusted
- 25 Vehicle Value?

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1 A. It is \$130.00.	1) Q. Is that Freeman, F
2 Q. So I have the Adjusted Vehicle Value on my	2 A. F-R-E I mean, F-R-E-E-M-A-N.
3 copy says \$6,690.00; is that what you see on yours?	Q. Okay. Were you close with Leslie Ann Freeman?
4 A. Oh, yes. Sorry. I was I didn't understand	4 (A. Not particularly.)
5 what you said. Yes, I see that.	5 Q. Would you have known if she got into a car
	6 accident?
7 Adjusted Vehicle Value represented in this report is	7 (A. No.)
8 \$6,690.00?	8 Q. Okay. All right. So she never told you about
9 A. Yes.	9 the car accident before?
10 Q. And then do you see a tax payment calculated	(10) A. No.
11 here?	Q. Did you even know that the car was in a previous
12 A. Yes.	12 accident?
13 Q. And then what is the total?	13 A. No.
14 A. It is \$6,890.70.	
	3
15 Q. All right. Go to the page the eighth page in	15 You can answer.
16 the PDF, Garrison P&C 114. It should say Vehicle	16 THE WITNESS: No, I did not.
17 Information on it.	17 BY MS. WILTROUT:
18 A. Okay. Okay.	18 Q. Okay. Do you think that a car that has been in
19 Q. Okay. Does this report accurately describe you	r 19 an accident is worth more than a car that has been
20 vehicle?	20 that was not involved in an accident?
21 MR. MALONE: I'm sorry. I'm going to	21 MR. MALONE: I'll object. Lack of
22 object.	22 foundation.
, , , , , ,	
24 report?	24 THE WITNESS: I do not know.
25 BY MS. WILTROUT:	25 BY MS. WILTROUT:
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1 Q. I'm sorry. This page. Does this page of the	1 Q. Let me ask it this way: If you were going to
2 report accurately describe your vehicle?	
	2 provide a value on a car, and you had a car that had
3 A. Well, there's a lot more to a vehicle than just	3 been involved in an accident and then a car that had not
4 that, I think.	4 been involved in an accident, which car would you value
5 Q. Are there any is there any information in the	5 higher?
6 Vehicle Details box that is incorrect?	6 MR. MALONE: Objection.
7 MR. MALONE: Objection. Foundation.	7 You can answer.
8 You can answer.	8 THE WITNESS: I do not know.
9 THE WITNESS: I think so. I guess so.	9 BY MS. WILTROUT:
10 BY MS. WILTROUT:	10 Q. Do you think there would be a difference?
11 Q. Underneath the Vehicle Details box, there is a	11 MR. MALONE: Objection.
12 Vehicle History Summary; do you see that?	You can answer.
13 A. Vehicle History Summary. Yes, I see that.	THE WITNESS: I do not know.
14 Q. Okay. And it looks like there's a note there	14 BY MS. WILTROUT:
15 showing one previous collision; do you see that?	15 Q. Okay. Take a look at the Vehicle Information
	16 page on the next three pages. That first is I'm
16 A. Yes.	To puge on the next three puges. That has is This
16 A. Yes.17 Q. Okay. And it looks like the accident was on	17 sorry next two pages, Vehicle Information, and there
17 Q. Okay. And it looks like the accident was on	17 sorry next two pages, Vehicle Information, and there
17 Q. Okay. And it looks like the accident was on 18 September 29, 2009, right?	17 sorry next two pages, Vehicle Information, and there 18 are several options that are listed here.
 17 Q. Okay. And it looks like the accident was on 18 September 29, 2009, right? 19 A. That's what it says. 	 17 sorry next two pages, Vehicle Information, and there 18 are several options that are listed here. 19 Go ahead and let me know if you see anything on
 17 Q. Okay. And it looks like the accident was on 18 September 29, 2009, right? 19 A. That's what it says. 20 Q. Okay. Do you remember hearing about that 	 17 sorry next two pages, Vehicle Information, and there 18 are several options that are listed here. 19 Go ahead and let me know if you see anything on 20 these two pages that looks inaccurate to you.
 17 Q. Okay. And it looks like the accident was on 18 September 29, 2009, right? 19 A. That's what it says. 20 Q. Okay. Do you remember hearing about that 21 accident? 	 17 sorry next two pages, Vehicle Information, and there 18 are several options that are listed here. 19 Go ahead and let me know if you see anything on 20 these two pages that looks inaccurate to you. 21 A. Okay. Everything looks accurate.
 17 Q. Okay. And it looks like the accident was on 18 September 29, 2009, right? 19 A. That's what it says. 20 Q. Okay. Do you remember hearing about that 21 accident? 22 A. I have no knowledge of that accident. 	 17 sorry next two pages, Vehicle Information, and there 18 are several options that are listed here. 19 Go ahead and let me know if you see anything on 20 these two pages that looks inaccurate to you. 21 A. Okay. Everything looks accurate. 22 Q. And then go to the next page, the Vehicle
 Q. Okay. And it looks like the accident was on September 29, 2009, right? A. That's what it says. Q. Okay. Do you remember hearing about that accident? A. I have no knowledge of that accident. Q. Okay. Your dad's what is your dad's cousin's 	17 sorry next two pages, Vehicle Information, and there 18 are several options that are listed here. 19 Go ahead and let me know if you see anything on 20 these two pages that looks inaccurate to you. 21 A. Okay. Everything looks accurate. 22 Q. And then go to the next page, the Vehicle 23 Condition page.
 Q. Okay. And it looks like the accident was on September 29, 2009, right? A. That's what it says. Q. Okay. Do you remember hearing about that accident? A. I have no knowledge of that accident. 	 17 sorry next two pages, Vehicle Information, and there 18 are several options that are listed here. 19 Go ahead and let me know if you see anything on 20 these two pages that looks inaccurate to you. 21 A. Okay. Everything looks accurate. 22 Q. And then go to the next page, the Vehicle

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Page 50 1 those categories. We can walk through them together. A. It was in good condition. 2 The Mechanical here is rated very good. What is Q. Did you have the paint retouched at the detailing 3 the Value Impact noted here? 3 appointment with your grandfather? A. It's \$130.00. 4 A. No. Q. And that lines up with the first page of the Q. Do you know if the paint had been retouched since 6 report where the Base Vehicle Value was increased by 6 the car was purchased in 2004? 7 130, correct? A. No. Q. And I believe you were reading from the Body A. Correct. 9 section. What does the Body section say? Q. Okay. Let's look at the Tires. What condition 10 are the tires rated in? 10 A. "Headlight lenses cloused, dings (veh seen in A. It says, "6 average" or -- no. They're good. 11 rain)." 12 The tires are good. Q. I looked at that a couple times. I think they Q. And the inspection is 6 average? 13 might be saying clouded. 14 Would you agree that the headlight lenses were A. Yes. 15 clouded? 15 Q. So the tires were not rated very good or 16 excellent, correct? A. I do not know. 17 A. That's what it says. 17 Q. And what does it say for the Glass? Q. Okay. Do you remember getting new tires four A. It says, "Pitting." 18 19 months before with your grandpa? 19 Q. And what condition? 20 A. Yes. 20 A. It says, "Good." 21 21 Q. Okay. And by the way, what is your grandpa's --Q. And then tell me what it says for the Interior. 22 I don't actually have your grandfather's name. What is 22 A. It says, "Good." And it says, "Tear, soiled, 23 leather wear, trim soiled." 23 your grandfather's name? 24 A. Robert Malcolm Fortson. Q. Okay. So do you remember, on the day of the 25 O. And where did he live? 25 accident, the interior of your car being soiled? Page 51 Page 53 A. No. A. Jacksonville, Florida. 1 1 Q. What was his address? Q. How long had it been since you had had the car 3 A. 3875 Ortega Boulevard. 3 shampooed? 4 Q. 3875. A. I'm not going to remember that. And you said that the body shop or the -- sorry. 5 Q. Okay. Do you remember the place that you got the 6 You said that the shop that you got brand new tires on 7 or at was right down the street from him at that A. It's this Mexican -- it's in this old like -- I 8 address? 8 don't even know the name of it, but it's in this old 9 like gas station thing, and these Mexicans do it by hand A. It's close by. 10 10 in Fayetteville on Bragg Boulevard. I don't even know Q. Approximately how far away? 11 if they have a name, but it's all cash. They do a 11 A. I'm not good with distance, but it's close by. 12 Q. How long would it take you to drive there? 12 really good job, though. 13 A. Like five minutes maybe, if that. Q. It's off what? 14 Q. And here you have the Paint. What condition was A. Bragg Boulevard in Fayetteville. 15 the paint in? 15 Q. And how did you pay them? 16 A. It was in good condition. 16 A. Cash. They only take cash. 17 Q. Okay. What do the inspection notes show? 17 Q. And do you remember at all how long it had been 18 A. Headlight lenses clouse -- cloused, cloused. 18 since you -- like months, three months, weeks since you 19 Q. I think that might be the body. 19 had gotten the car detailed? 20 A. Oh. "Slight fading and surface scratches." A. I don't remember. Q. Do you remember there being slight fading to your 21 Q. Do you have any pictures of the car from before 22 car to the paint? 22 the accident? 23 A. No. 23 A. I don't think so. Q. Do you remember the paint being in excellent Q. Do you know if you ever took a picture of 24 25 condition? 25 yourself in the car that you got before the accident?

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- 1 A. I'd have to go through my pictures, but I'm not
- 2 sure.
- 3 Q. But there might be a picture of you in the car?
- 4 A. I'm not saying yes or no, but I'm not sure.
- 5 Q. Were you ever asked to look for pictures of the
- 6 interior of the car?
- 7 A. Not that I know of.
- 8 Q. And you've never looked for pictures in the car
- 9 inside?
- 10 A. I don't think I really had that -- any, though,
- 11 because I've gone through my photos recently looking for
- 12 something for my sister, and I don't really recall any.
- 13 Q. Okay. So is the component condition listed for
- 14 the interior, is that an accurate description of your
- 15 vehicle at the time of the accident?
- 16 A. I would say there was some -- there was a tear
- 17 and a little bit of leather wear, but I wouldn't say it

18 was really soiled that much.

- 19 Q. Let's move on to the next page of comparable
- 20 vehicles, the next two pages. Actually, it's four
- 21 pages.
- So over on the right-hand side of the page,
- 23 you'll see a list of the comparables; do you see that?
- 24 A. Yes.

A. Okay.

5 this report?

A. Yes.

A. Yes.

A. It is \$7,449.00.

23 deduction for condition of \$722.00.

14 specific.

20 vehicle?

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25 Q. Take a look at that, and I'm going to ask you

Q. Would you agree with me that there are four

4 comparables -- or there are four comparable vehicles in

Q. Do you agree with me that all of the vehicles are

Q. Do you agree that they're all within 25 to

Q. From Fayetteville, North Carolina, to be

So take a look at the first comp, comparable

16 vehicle. Here tell me what the list price here is, what

Q. Do you see a series of adjustments for that

A. Yes. I see an addition for options of \$229.00,

22 and then an addition for mileage of \$749.00, and then a

Q. Let's look at the Options ones. Do you see a

25 difference in the options listed between the Loss

17 you see for the list price for the first comp vehicle.

11 50 miles away from your -- from your address?

1 some questions about what you see.

8 around the same year as your car?

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- 1 Vehicle, that's another word for your car, and Comp 1?
- 2 A. Yes.
- 3 Q. And would you agree with me that they -- that
- 4 there are more options on your vehicle than there were
- 5 on Comp 1?
- 6 A. Yes.
- 7 Q. And so do you see how in the Options line, they
- 8 have given you a positive -- they've given a positive
- 9 \$229.00 amount to account for the difference in options?
- 10 A. Yes.
- 11 Q. Same question with respect to mileage. Which car
- 12 had more mileage, your -- the loss vehicle or Comp 1?
- 13 A. Comp 1
- 14 Q. And do you see the increase in the mileage
- 15 adjustment?
- 16 A. Yes.
- 17 Q. And then you see and -- and then there's a
- 18 condition adjustment of 722, correct?
- 19 A. Yes.
- 20 Q. And would you agree with me that the same process
- 21 is repeated for cars labeled Comp 2, Comp 3, and Comp 4?
- 22 A. Yes.
- 23 Q. Do you understand at all why Garrison used these
- 24 comparable vehicles to value your car?
- 25 A. Yes, I understand the comparable vehicles part.

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- 1 Q. Okay. Tell me what you understand about that.
- 2 A. So they took comparable vehicles, and they
 - 3 compared them all to my car, and then they added or
 - 4 subtracted what they did or did not have, in my case,
 - 5 didn't have. So they would add on to it to give me a
 - 6 price range for my car.
 - 7 But then the condition part, they took out the
 - 8 same piece every single time for the same three -- the
 - 9 exact same three cars, which is on there.
 - 10 Q. Yeah, were there any particular comparable
 - 11 vehicles from this report that you feel were not actual
 - 12 comparable vehicles to your car and should not have been
 - 13 used?
 - 14 A. No. Or I don't know.
 - 15 Q. Okay. All right. I'm going to ask you to open
 - 16 up the letter that was -- the next document, which is a
 - 17 2016.10.26 letter and CCC report.
 - 18 A. Okay.
 - 19 Q. I'm opening it up on my end, too, to make sure I
 - 20 can give you the right page numbers.
 - 21 A. All right.
 - 22 Q. Okay. So tell me what -- I'd like to mark this
 - 23 document as -- actually, let me see.
 - Have you ever seen this document before?
 - 25 A. Yes.

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1 Q. When do you remember seeing this document?	1 too.
2 A. Within the last two years.	2 Q. Do you remember when you asked Mr. Malone to
3 Q. And what is this document?	3 first to help you with your settlement for USAA?
4 A. This document is also a CCC One Market Valuation.	4 A. No, I do not.
5 Q. For your car?	5 Q. So this was sent I'm looking at the second
6 A. Yes.	6 page of this letter. This letter looks to be sent to
7 MS. WILTROUT: I'd like to mark this as	7 Mr. Malone on October 26, 2016; would you agree with me
8 Exhibit 4 or Exhibit 3 to this deposition.	8 A. Yes.
9 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Exhibit 3.	9 Q. And the accident occurred on October 3rd,
10 MS. WILTROUT: Thank you.	10 correct?
11 (Defendant's Exhibit No. 3 was marked for	11 A. 2nd.
12 identification)	12 Q. 2nd. Okay.
13 BY MS. WILTROUT:	Were you in the hospital on October 26, 2016?
Q. Okay. I'm looking at the first page of this PDF.	14 A. Yes.
15 It looks like a fax cover letter. Can you tell me who	15 Q. Had you been in the hospital since your accident
16 this was sent to?	16 on that date?
A. This was sent to Mike Malone.	17 A. Mostly, yes.
Q. And I see Mike Malone's here in the deposition	18 Q. Mostly.
19 today.	So do you remember when you went in and when you
Who is Mr. Malone to you?	20 left?
A. He is my lawyer.	21 A. I don't remember the exact days. No.
Q. How long has he been your lawyer for?	22 Q. Generally speaking, what do you remember about
(A. For over four years now.)	23 coming in and out of the hospital during that time?
Q. And again, I do not want to hear about your	24 MR. MALONE: Objection.
25 conversations with Mr. Malone, but what led you to seek	25 You can answer.
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1 out him as your lawyer?	1 THE WITNESS: I was in immediate I went
2 MR. MALONE: Objection.	2 in, and then they didn't immediately catch what
3 You can answer.	3 happened, and then I went back in a week later, and
THE WITNESS: Make me hire him or make me	4 then I was in the ICU after that.
5 (get a lawyer?)	5 Then they took me out again, and then they
6 BY MS. WILTROUT:	6 within a day, I was back in the hospital, because
7 Q. Let's ask both questions.	7 it had gotten worse, and then I was in for a very
8 Why did you four years ago, why did you get a	8 long time after that.
9 lawyer?	9 BY MS. WILTROUT:
(10) A. I got a lawyer to help me with my settlement	10 Q. How long were you in the ICU for?
(11 insurance case, firstly, because I wanted to go against	11 A. I don't remember the exact amount of time, but it
12 the guy who hit me, but then he didn't have insurance,	12 was it was a long time.
13 and then but and then I was referred to him by a	13 Q. When you say a long time, do you mean it was, you
14 friend, and then and then also what was the second	14 know, several days, several weeks?15 A. Several weeks, over a month.
(15 part of the question? Sorry.)(16) Q. No, that's okay.	
	16 Q. And then how long were you out after your initial
(17) So you hired a lawyer to help you proceed against	17 ICU stay? 18 A. You mean out like
(18 the guy who hit you in the car accident?)(19) A. Yes. First off, yeah.	18 A. You mean out like 19 Q. How long were you out of the hospital?
20 Q. Okay.	
20 Q. Okay.) 21 A. But then that didn't work out. So	20 A. A day. 21 Q. And then you went back to the hospital, correct?
22 Q. Okay. Did you hire and you ultimately hired	22 A. Yes.
23 Mr. Malone, correct?	22 A. Tes. 23 Q. And how long were you in the hospital then?
24) A. Yes. And then we went through to get my	24 A. Okay. So no. This is how it went. So let me go
25 settlement from USAA. Yeah. He helped me with that,	
/> Settlement from USAA Yean. He helped me with that	25 back, backtrack real quick. I don't think I explained

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1 this right.	Do you remember authorizing Mr. Malone to
2 So I went to the ER that night when I got hit,	2 negotiate your settlement of your total loss vehicle
3 and they I was there all night, and then they	3 with USAA?
4 discharged me, because they didn't catch that I had torn	4 A. I remember him giving he was able to
5 both my carotid arteries.	5 authorizing him to speak on my behalf, but and
6 So then a week later, I was in massive pain, and	6 authorizing him to negotiate, but I know that he it
7 I went to the ER, and then they realized I had torn my	7—was we never thought it was the we never agreed to
8 carotid arteries, and then they sent me to UNC. So then	8 that he he never he does not believe we never
9 when I was at UNC, that's when I was in ICU.	9 believed it was agreed it was a total loss settlement.
So I was there for two and-a-half weeks, and then	10 Q. Let's unpack that. Do you remember I just
11 they didn't think I was going to survive. So they sent	11 want to clarify.
12 me home, but then a day later, they got some scans back.	When do you remember authorizing him to speak
13 They realized it was a lot worse. So they brought me	13 with USAA or Garrison on your behalf?
14 back in. I mean, a day later they brought me back in,	A. I don't remember.
15 not even a day later. It was really about like	15 Q. Would you agree with me that it was in October of
16 12 hours, and so I came back in. Then from there, I was	16 2016?
17 in for at least a month, if not five to six weeks	17 A. Yes.
18 longer.	Q. Would you agree with me that it was before
19 Does that make sense now?	19 October 26, 2016?
20 Q. Were you in the ICU during that last six weeks to	20 A. Yes.
21 a month to six weeks?	21 Q. Was it within a week of your accident which
22 A. Yes.	22 happened on October 2nd?
23 Q. Were you conscious in the ICU that second time?	23 A. I don't know.
24 A. Yes, kind of yes, technically	24 Q. You previously testified that you authorized your
25 Q. Were you	25 father to speak with Garrison on your behalf; is that
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1 A but not	1 correct?
2 Q conscious at the time?	2 A. Yes. I authorized them, yes, to speak.
3 A. Like I was on a lot of medications, though. I	3 Q. Did you authorize your father, before you
4 couldn't really speak, and I couldn't really you	4 authorized Mr. Malone, to speak to USAA?
5 know, I couldn't do a lot of things.	5 A. Yes. Yes, because he was explaining the wreck.
6 Q. And you were in the ICU under 24-hour medical	6 Q. Sorry. Say that again.
7 supervision?	7 A. Because he was explaining the wreck.
8 A. Yes.	8 Q. He was explaining the wreck to who was he
9 Q. So just looking at that timeline that we just	9 explaining the wreck to?
10 went through and I appreciate you talking about this	10 A. The USAA.
11 horrible thing that happened to you in your life it	11 Q. Do you remember why you made the decision to hire
12 seems like you were you might have been in the	12 or to ask Mr. Malone to speak on your behalf to
13 hospital on October 26th when you got this letter?	13 Garrison?
14 A. Yes.	14 MR. MALONE: Objection.
15 Q. Were you getting updates in the hospital about	You can answer, if you can answer with
16 the settlement of your claim?	16 if you can answer without disclosing attorney/client
17 A. Yeah.	17 privileged communications, you can answer that
MR. MALONE: I would object. I'm going to	18 question.
	THE WITNESS: I don't know how to answer
19 object to the extent that that seeks disclosure of	
20 attorney/client communications.	20 that.
20 attorney/client communications. 21 But you can go ahead and answer otherwise.	21 BY MS. WILTROUT:
20 attorney/client communications. 21 But you can go ahead and answer otherwise. 22 THE WITNESS: No, I was not.	21 BY MS. WILTROUT: 22 Q. I can ask it a different way.
20 attorney/client communications. 21 But you can go ahead and answer otherwise. 22 THE WITNESS: No, I was not. 23 BY MS. WILTROUT:	21 BY MS. WILTROUT: 22 Q. I can ask it a different way. 23 What do you remember prompted you to have
20 attorney/client communications. 21 But you can go ahead and answer otherwise. 22 THE WITNESS: No, I was not.	21 BY MS. WILTROUT: 22 Q. I can ask it a different way.

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1 MR. MALONE: Objection.	1 A. Yes. 2 O. And take a look at the fourth page of this
2 You can answer. If you can answer that 3 question without disclosing attorney/client	Q. And take a look at the fourth page of this3 report, which is the eighth page of the PDF.
	4 Tell me if there's any discrepancies in the
4 communications, you can answer. 5 BY MS. WILTROUT:	5 vehicle equipment listed on this page.
6 Q. To be clear, I'm asking about what facts	6 MR. MALONE: Objection.
7 happened, what events happened in your life. Not what	7 I'm not sure if I understand your meaning
8 your attorney might have told you.	8 of the term discrepancies.
9 A. I think we it was just in my best interest to	9 BY MS. WILTROUT:
10 have someone representing me in the case, in my	10 Q. Okay. Are there any options listed in the
11 settlement, I think.	11 Vehicle Information page that are incorrectly noted,
12 Q. Had Mr. Malone represented you before?	12 anything missing, anything that's there that should not
13 A. No.	13 be?
14 Q. Had he represented your father before?	14 A. Everything looks good.
15 A. No.	15 Q. And turn to the page that says Vehicle Condition.
16 Q. Okay. So do you know I'm going to going	16 A. What page is that?
17 back to the document we were looking at.	17 Q. That is Page 10 of the PDF.
Do you know why this document why this report	Would you agree with me that those are the same
19 was run?	19 values as the previous report that we saw?
20 A. I don't know.	20 A. Yes.
21 Q. And do you remember seeing this document in 2016?	21 Q. All right. Now I'd like you to look at Pages 11
22 A. No, I do not.	22 through 17 of this document which are the comparable
23 Q. When do you remember seeing this document for the	23 vehicles.
24 first time?	24 A. Okay.
25 MR. MALONE: Objection.	25 Q. How many comparable vehicles do you see on this
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1 THE WITNESS: Sometime within the last	1 report?
1 THE WITNESS: Sometime within the last 2 so	1 report? 2 A. Ten.
1 THE WITNESS: Sometime within the last 2 so 3 MR. MALONE: Objection.	 1 report? 2 A. Ten. 3 Q. Of these comparable vehicles, what is the date of
1 THE WITNESS: Sometime within the last 2 so 3 MR. MALONE: Objection. 4 You can answer, Vail.	 report? A. Ten. Q. Of these comparable vehicles, what is the date of 4 manufacturer for these ten comparable vehicles? What
1 THE WITNESS: Sometime within the last 2 so 3 MR. MALONE: Objection. 4 You can answer, Vail. 5 THE WITNESS: Sometime within the last two	 report? A. Ten. Q. Of these comparable vehicles, what is the date of manufacturer for these ten comparable vehicles? What year were these what years were these comparable
1 THE WITNESS: Sometime within the last 2 so 3 MR. MALONE: Objection. 4 You can answer, Vail. 5 THE WITNESS: Sometime within the last two 6 years.	 1 report? 2 A. Ten. 3 Q. Of these comparable vehicles, what is the date of 4 manufacturer for these ten comparable vehicles? What 5 year were these what years were these comparable 6 vehicles manufactured in?
1 THE WITNESS: Sometime within the last 2 so 3 MR. MALONE: Objection. 4 You can answer, Vail. 5 THE WITNESS: Sometime within the last two 6 years. 7 BY MS. WILTROUT:	 1 report? 2 A. Ten. 3 Q. Of these comparable vehicles, what is the date of 4 manufacturer for these ten comparable vehicles? What 5 year were these what years were these comparable 6 vehicles manufactured in? 7 A. 2004.
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1 lowest and the highest	1 You can answer if you know. You can
2 A. Yes.	2 answer, Vail.
3 Q list prices?	3 THE WITNESS: Because I might have more
4 Take a look at the calculation for the Loss	4 options than the other car.
5 Vehicle and Comp 1 which is on Page 11 of the document.	5 BY MS. WILTROUT:
6 I'm sorry on Page 12 of the document is where the actual	6 Q. So would you agree that when this company was
7 calculation is.	7 valuing your car, they considered a car with more
8 Would you agree with me that this report applied	8 options on it to be more valuable than a car with less 9 options on it?
9 the same adjustments as the previous report that we 10 looked at?	10 A. I guess you could say that.
	11 Q. Would you agree that the car with more options on
12 Q. So we talked about this before when we looked at	12 it should properly be valued higher than a car with less
13 the previous report, but you agree that this report 14 would you agree that this report adjusts the value of	13 options on it? 14 MR. MALONE: Objection.
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15 these vehicles for mileage?	
16 A. Yes.	16 THE WITNESS: I don't know. 17 BY MS. WILTROUT:
17 MR. MALONE: Objection. 18 You can answer.	-,
18 You can answer. 19 THE WITNESS: Yes.	18 Q. Have you ever bought a new car before? 19 A. Yes.
20 BY MS. WILTROUT:	
	20 Q. Did you get to pick out the options on it? 21 A. Yes.
21 Q. Would you agree that the amount of mileage on a 22 car affects its value?	
23 MR. MALONE: Objection.	Q. What options did you choose?A. A lot of safety options.
24 THE WITNESS: I don't know.	24 Q. Okay. Did those options make the price of the
25 BY MS. WILTROUT:	25 car go up?
Page 71 1 Q. You don't know?	Page 73
2 A. Yes.	2 Q. And would you agree that that would increase the
3 Q. Okay. Well, which would you want to purchase	3 value of the car, the presence of those options?
4 more, a car with a lot of miles on it or a car with not	4 A. I guess so.
5 very many miles on it?	5 Q. Let's look at the Condition Adjustment. We've
6 MR. MALONE: Objection, foundation, and	6 talked about how you reconditioned the car.
7 asked and answered previously.	7 Would you agree with me that it's typical for the
8 THE WITNESS: I don't know.	8 condition of a vehicle to change as someone uses it in
9 BY MS. WILTROUT:	9 their ordinary lives?
10 Q. You can see the do you see the adjustments for	(10) MR. MALONE: Objection. Foundation.
11 options in this report?	You can answer.
12 A. Yes.	12 THE WITNESS: Yes.
13 Q. Would you agree that the type of options on a car	13 BY MS. WILTROUT:
14 affects its value?	14 Q. Did you try to keep your car in perfect
15 MR. MALONE: Objection.	15 condition?
You can answer.	16 A. I tried to keep
17 THE WITNESS: I don't know.	17 MR. MALONE: Objection.
18 BY MS. WILTROUT:	18 THE WITNESS: it
19 Q. Take a look at Comp 1 versus your car. You can	19 MR. MALONE: You can answer.
20 see that there is a positive 229 options adjustment,	20 THE WITNESS: I tried to keep it in as good
21 correct?	21 a condition as I got it.
22 A. Yes.	22 BY MS. WILTROUT:
23 Q. Why do you think they put that adjustment on?	23 Q. Did you?
24 MR. MALONE: Objection. Calls for	24 A. I thought so.
25 speculation.	25 Q. Do you know if Leslie, the previous owner of the

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1 car, kept the car in as good of a condition as it was	1) (A. No.)
2 the day she bought it?	Q. No. Okay.
3 A. I don't know.	3 So let's think of that car that you drove in or
4 Q. Tell me what you did to keep the car in great	4 that you were in that had been smoked in.
5 condition while you had it.	5 A. Okay.
6 A. I didn't drive it much. I took it to get it	6 Q. What kind of car was that?
7 cleaned and detailed. I just took care of it.	7 A. It was a 4Runner. It was just people were
8 Q. Did you ever smoke in the car?	8 smoking in it, and it smelled awful.
9 A. No. I don't smoke.	9 Q. So if you were going to buy a 4Runner, and you
10 Q. Did you ever eat in the car?	10 had the option of buying that 4Runner or a 4Runner that
11 A. I think I would only drink in the car. I don't	11 had not been smoked in, everything else is even, which
12 think I ate in the car.	12 one would you have bought?
13 Q. Did you allow any kids in the car?	MR. MALONE: Objection.
14 A. No.	THE WITNESS: The not okay.
15 Q. Did you ever scratch the seats?	MR. MALONE: You can answer.
16 A. Not that I'm aware of.	THE WITNESS: The not been smoked in one.
17 Q. Did you ever ding a door next to you parked	17 BY MS. WILTROUT:
18 next to you?	Q. And why is that?
19 A. I don't know. I don't think so.	A. Because the smell was just horrible.
20 Q. Have you ever seen anybody not take such great	Q. All right. So let's use the minivan example.
21 care of their car?	21 If you have if you're looking to buy a
22 MR. MALONE: Objection, foundation.	22 minivan, and there's a minivan that had been eaten in
23 You can answer.	23 with stained seats and a minivan that had not been eaten
24 THE WITNESS: I mean, yeah. When my mom had	24 in, which would you have rather paid for which would
25 us when we were little, like the van got totaled, but	25 you have rather bought?
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1 Q. Do you know anything about work that dealers do	1 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: This is the beginning of
2 to get a used car in condition to sell it?	2 media #2 in the deposition of Elizabeth Vail Fortson.
3 A. I know like what Kelley Blue Book is, and they	3 The time on the monitor is approximately 1:43 p.m.,
4 use that to help gauge it, but other than that, I don't	4 and we're back on the Record.
5 know much about it.	5 MS. WILTROUT: Welcome back.
6 Q. Do you know of anybody whose ever traded their	6 BY MS. WILTROUT:
7 car in to a dealership?	7 Q. Okay. So before we left on our break, we were
8 A. Yes.	8 talking about the value of your car, and you testified
9 Q. Who was that?	9 that your car was in very good condition, right?
10 A. My sister has. My parents have.	10 A. Yes, it was in good condition.
11 Q. What car did your sister trade in?	11 Q. And it was in good condition, because your
12 A. A Mercedes, which one, 350 or CGL oh, what is	12 grandfather took care of the car, right?
13 it, the GL she had a blue, the blue one, the blue	A. Well, I mean, I had the car, and then he had the
14 tech one. I don't know. It was one of the SUVs. And	14 car for a little bit, and then before that, Leslie had
15 then my parents, they've traded they've traded in a	15 the car, but it was in good condition when I got it from
16 couple of cars.	16 my grandfather. Before that, I do not know.
17 Q. Did you ever go with them when they were trading	Q. Okay. Would you agree with me that the car was
18 in the cars?	18 in good condition because of the care that you took of
19 A. I think once or twice.	19 the car?
20 Q. So when you went with your parents to trade in	(20) A. Yes.
21 the car, do you remember if the car that they traded in	21 Q. And would you agree that the car was in good
22 was completely clean on the inside?	22 condition, because your grandfather put on new tires and
23 MR. MALONE: Objection.	23 brakes?
24 You can answer.	24 MR. MALONE: Objection.
25 THE WITNESS: Not that I I don't	25 You can answer.
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1 remember.	1 THE WITNESS: I don't know. I think I
2 BY MS. WILTROUT:	2 think it was other things than that. So I don't
3 Q. Did your mom trade in that minivan that she drove	3 know.
4 you guys around in?	4 BY MS. WILTROUT:
5 A. Oh, what happened to that thing? I think they	5 Q. Okay. That's fair.
6 actually drove that until it died.	6 You agree with me, though, that your grandfather
7 MS. WILTROUT: So this is probably a good	7 put on new tires and brakes on the car?
8 time if you want to take a break for lunch.	8 A. Yes.
9 THE WITNESS: Okay.	9 Q. And he had it serviced?
MS. WILTROUT: So we can come back here in	10 A. Yes.
11 like a half an hour.	11 Q. And you had it detailed?
12 THE WITNESS: Okay.	12 A. Yes.
MR. MALONE: Andrea	Q. And because you and your grandfather took such
14 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: Let me take you off the	14 good care of the car, it was worth more than another
15 Record. Is that alright?	15 2004 Cadillac that had been smoked in or stained
MR. MALONE: How do you feel about extending	16 interior or scratches, wouldn't you agree?
17 that out to 40 minutes so I can actually make it to	MR. MALONE: Objection, foundation.
18 get lunch?	18 You can answer.
MS. WILTROUT: That's fine with me.	19 THE WITNESS: Well, smoked in, yes.
MR. MALONE: Okay.	20 BY MS. WILTROUT:
THE VIDEOGRAPHER: That's the end of media	Q. So you would pay more for your car for a
22 #1 in the deposition of Elizabeth Vail Fortson. The	22 version of you would pay more for your version of
23 time on the monitor is approximately 1:00 p.m., and	23 your car than a version of your car that had been smoked
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 24 we're off the Record. 25 (A brief recess was taken in the deposition) 	24 in, right? 25 A. If it was me personally, I would say yes for the

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1 smoked in not a smoked in car. Yes.	1 over this thing. So it could actually be that that car
2 Q. So the value of a car depends on its condition,	2 is more valuable than this car. So you can't actually
3 doesn't it?	3 say that one thing is more valuable than the other
4 MR. MALONE: Objection, foundation.	4 thing.
5 You can answer, if you know.	5 BY MS. WILTROUT:
6 THE WITNESS: I don't know. I don't think	6 Q. Right. So in my hypothetical, I'm assuming that
7 smoking or anything has anything to do with	7 the cars have the same mileage and the same options.
8 condition. I think condition is what it is, with	8 A. Okay.
9 like options and mileage and whatever.	9 Q. The cars have the same mileage and the same
And you all had already stated that my	10 options, and one has smells like smoke, stains in the
11 condition was good. You all actually added to my	11 seats, rips in the leather; would that car be worth less
12 condition with the \$130.00.	12 to you than a car that smelled good, had clean seats
13 BY MS. WILTROUT:	13 that weren't scratched?
14 Q. Okay. What do you think goes into the condition	14 A. Yes.
15 of a car?	15 Q. So would you agree with me that the value of a
16 MR. MALONE: Objection. Objection.	16 car depends on its condition?
You can answer. You can answer, Vail.	MR. MALONE: Objection, foundation.
18 THE WITNESS: I don't know, because I'm not	18 THE WITNESS: So you're saying all those
19 a specialist in that.	19 things, those four things, are a condition to the
20 BY MS. WILTROUT:	20 basis of your condition?
21 Q. So what about a car that had been that has	21 BY MS. WILTROUT:
22 been smoked in makes it more valuable than a car that's	22 Q. I'm asking you: Would you consider those to be a
23 not been smoked in?	23 condition of a car?
24 MR. MALONE: Objection. Misstates prior	24 A. I think a condition of a car is more than that, I
25 testimony.	25 guess.
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1 I think you inverted that, Andrea.	1 Q. Okay. Well, let's look at what CCC does, because
2 BY MS. WILTROUT:	2 they actually describe the four things that they do
3 Q. Oh, okay. Would you agree that a car that had	3 the four components that go into the vehicle condition.
4 been smoked in was worth less money than a car that had	4 If you look at that report we were looking at
5 not been smoked in?	5 before
6 MR. MALONE: Objection, foundation.	6 A. Okay.
7 You can answer, Vail.	7 MR. MALONE: Andrea, there were two
8 THE WITNESS: Yes.	8 different reports that we looked at.
9 BY MS. WILTROUT:	9 MS. WILTROUT: on Page yeah. The one
10 Q. Would you agree that a car the same car that	10 that we most recently looked at. The
11 had the same make and model of a car that had stained	11 MR. MALONE: Okay.
12 seats would be worth less than a car of the same make	MS. WILTROUT: I think that's No. 3.
13 and model with pristine seats?	13 MR. MALONE: Okay.
14 MR. MALONE: Objection, foundation.	MS. WILTROUT: Page 10 of that document.
15 You can answer.	15 THE WITNESS: It's not working again. Oh,
16 THE WITNESS: Yes.	16 there it is.
17 BY MS. WILTROUT:	17 It's Page 10. Which one is it? It's the
18 Q. So would you agree with me that the smell of a	18 Value Condition component.
19 car and the cleanliness of the seats are	19 BY MS. WILTROUT:
20 A. Wait. Wouldn't that also wait. Wait.	20 Q. Vehicle Condition, yes.
21 Wouldn't it also like be conditional on like there's	21 So would you agree with me that CCC here lists
22 other things a car has value on?	22 six components that make up the vehicle condition?
23 So if like say it's stained seats, but it's got	23 A. Yes.
24 other things of value on it that makes it more valuable,	24 Q. And would you also agree with me that later in
25 you can't actually say that this one is more precedent	25 the Valuation Report, they account for differences in
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1 mileage and in options?	1 MR. MALONE: Objection. Calls for
2 A. Yes.	2 speculation.
3 Q. Okay. So	3 You can answer.
4 A. But this is not the Condition Report that they	4 THE WITNESS: There's no way of knowing if
5 put on with they added in the other Condition Report.	5 it was or was not, and they did it against many
6 Q. Say that I'm sorry. What did you say?	6 comparables. So I don't think I can answer that
7 A. This is not like this is a separate condition	7 question.
8 adjustment that they put on with the other condition	8 BY MS. WILTROUT:
9 adjustment. The other condition adjustment is not this	9 Q. Taking it into the context of a private sale, if
10 one.	10 your car was being compared against, by a private buyer,
11 Q. What is the other condition adjustment?	11 against a car with the same options and the same
12 A. They minus \$722.00, which they do not explain,	12 mileage, but had been smoked in and had stains on the
13 and this one is saying that they're adding it onto it,	13 stains on the seats, would you expect to receive more
14 because my condition my vehicle they say that my	14 money for your car versus the other car?
15 vehicle condition is in good condition. So that's why	15 MR. MALONE: Objection. Calls for
16 they're adding it.	16 speculation. Foundation.
17 Q. Okay. So let's look at the page right after the	You can answer.
18 Vehicle Condition for some guidance on this.	18 THE WITNESS: I don't I don't know how to
19 Do you see the Comparable Vehicles?	19 answer that.
20 A. Yes.	20 BY MS. WILTROUT:
21 Q. So look at the bottom right-hand corner and read	21 Q. When do you remember receiving payment for your
22 the Footnote 1.	22 car from Garrison?
23 A. "The Condition Adjustment sets that comparable	23 MR. MALONE: Objection. Asked and answered.
24 vehicles due in Good condition, which the loss vehicle	You can answer.
25 is also compared to in the Vehicle section."	25 THE WITNESS: I don't remember hearing about
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Elizabeth Vail Fortson Fortson, Elizabeth V et al v. Garrison Property & Casualty Insurance Co Page 90 Q. Did you receive any other money from Garrison? A. There was \$1,350.00 on November 14, 2016 and \$400 1 2 MR. MALONE: Objection. 2 also on that day. 3 Andrea, are we talking about with respect Q. Do you remember why -- like do you remember what 4 to the total loss claim or with respect to her bodily 4 those payments are for? 5 injury claim? A. I don't know. 6 MS. WILTROUT: I'm asking for payments Q. Were those payments deposited into your account? 7 received as a result of the accident. So that would A. I don't know. 8 include the bodily loss claim, but --Q. Who would know if those payments were deposited 9 THE WITNESS: Yes. 9 into your account? 10 BY MS. WILTROUT: 10 MR. MALONE: Objection. Calls for Q. When do you remember getting the payments? How 11 speculation. 12 many -- I'm sorry. Let's back up. 12 You can answer. 13 How many payments did you receive? 13 THE WITNESS: I don't know. I'm the only 14 A. That would be, correct me if I'm wrong, Mike, but 14 one with access to my main accounts. 15 BY MS. WILTROUT: 15 I think it's two. Q. You should testify to what you remember. Q. Okay. In preparing for this deposition, did you 17 17 look to see what money you had received from Garrison as A. I believe it was two. 18 a result of your total loss claim? 18 Q. And how much -- Mike, did you want to say 19 something? I saw you --19 A. No. 20 MR. MALONE: Oh, no. 20 Q. You did not. 21 MS. WILTROUT: Okay. 21 So you don't know, sitting here, how much you've 22 MR. MALONE: I mean, she asked me a 22 received for your claim from Garrison? 23 question, but I'm going to adhere to your request A. Not in like my total accident plus this. I saw 24 that I will not testify for her. 24 from my like -- my initial one from my claim, my like 25 MS. WILTROUT: Thank you. 25 what this case is about, yes. But not if we're looking Page 91 Page 93 1 BY MS. WILTROUT: 1 at both cases together. No. Q. How much were the payments for? Q. Okay. So let's talk about payments that were A. Well, they're the one that I just told you, this 3 made in 2016. 4 one for \$6,962.70, and then the other one I do not know A. Okay. Q. Can you tell me which payments that were made on 5 the exact figure, but I think it was around 300,000. Q. Okay. Could you go to the document that I titled 6 -- that are represented to have been made on -- in 2016 7 Loss Summary in your folder. 7 you received? A. The \$6,962.70, and the 1,000 -- the \$1,350.00 and A. Okay. 9 9 the \$400.00. Q. Take a look at these payments. This is a 10 screenshot of Garrison's payment systems. Q. You remember receiving the 13 -- the \$1,350.00 11 And first of all, I'd like to mark this as 11 payment on 11/14/2016? 12 Exhibit 4 to this deposition. Thank you. 12 A. No. 13 (Defendant's Exhibit No. 4 was marked for 13 Q. Okay. 14 identification) A. You just -- you just told me which payments came 15 through in 2016, and I just told you. 15 BY MS. WILTROUT: 16 Q. So I'm not -- I think that -- would you agree Q. I'm sorry. I think you misunderstood my 17 with me that the first two payments on here, the 50,000 17 question. 18 and the 5,000 relate to your injury claims? 18 I asked you which payments do you remember 19 receiving? 19 A. Likely, yes. 20 Q. And then do you see the 6,962? 20 A. Oh, I don't remember receiving any of those A. Yes. 22 Q. And what date was that on? 22 Q. Tell me which payments you remember receiving in

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23 2016.

A. Oh, none of them.

Q. None of them. Okay.

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A. December -- sorry. It's a little hard to see --

Q. And then do you see any other payments?

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1 You don't remember receiving the 6,962 payment?	1 out?
2 A. Uh-uh. I told you I didn't know about that until	2 A. I don't know.
3 a year later.	3 Q. So you testified that you thought never
4 Q. Okay. Did you ever learn of the payment for	4 thought that the payment you received from Garrison for
5 \$1,350.00?	5 your car was the final payment, right?
6 A. I don't know.	6 A. Yes.
7 Q. What about the 400?	Q. So from the time that you received the payment in
8 A. I don't know.	8 December 2016, did you ever ask Garrison for more money
9 Q. So tell me about when you learned about the	9 for your car?
10 \$6,962.00.	A. No, not that I know of. No.
11 A. I asked I kind of came across I kind of	Q. Did you ever direct your dad to?
12 asked my dad, I was like, "Did about the car and	(12) A. No.
13 whatever and what had happened with it, and he told me	13 Q. Did you ever direct Mr. Malone to?
14 he had put the money into a stock account. And I was	14 MR. MALONE: Objection.
15 talking about it with Mike, I think, as well.	Don't answer it. That would call for
16 I think I talked about it with Mike, and then I	16 attorney/client communications. Don't answer.
17 asked my dad about it, and he told me what he did with	17 BY MS. WILTROUT:
18 the money.	(18) Q. Do you remember your dad asking for more money on
19 Q. Had you ever talked with him before about the	19 your behalf from Garrison?
20 money that you were to receive from the total loss?	20 A. No.
21 MR. MALONE: Objection.	Q. And do you remember Mr. Malone asking for more
22 BY MS. WILTROUT:	22 money from Garrison on your behalf for your total loss?
23 Q. Have you ever talked with your dad?	23 A. Am I allowed to answer that one?
24 A. No.	MR. MALONE: Yeah, to the extent that you do
25 Q. Were you driving after your accident? Were you	25 not to the extent you can answer that without
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1 driving within the first three months after your	1 disclosing attorney/client communications.
2 accident?	2 If you cannot answer that without
3 A. I wasn't driving until the I had to do driving	3 disclosing attorney/client communications, you are
4 lessons again, but it wasn't until 2017 I was driving.	4 instructed to decline to answer.
5 Q. Take a look at the document I saved as	5 THE WITNESS: I don't think so.
6 2017.11.14.	6 BY MS. WILTROUT:
7 A. 2017. Okay.	7 Q. So from the time of payment in December 2016
8 Q. Have you seen this letter before?	8 until you filed the Complaint in 2019, did you ever
9 A. One second.	9 communicate to Garrison that you expected any money,
10 Yes, I believe so.	10 additional money for your car?
11 Q. Do you remember let me take a moment to mark	11 A. No.
12 this as Exhibit 5 to this deposition.	Q. Do you know if your dad ever communicated that to
13 (Defendant's Exhibit No. 5 was marked for	13 Garrison, that you expected additional money for your
14 identification)	(14 car?)
15 BY MS. WILTROUT:	(15) A. I don't know.
Q. What does this letter appear to you to be?	Q. Do you know if Mr. Malone ever communicated that
A. It's a letter from my attorney going back to USAA	17 you expected additional money for your car?
18 asking about the adjust the \$722.00 adjustment.	(18) A. I don't know.
Q. And when is it when is it dated?	Q. So the letter that we're looking at is dated
A. It's dated in November of 14, 2017.	20 almost a year after you received the check, correct?
Q. And would you agree with me that this letter was	(21) A. Yes.
22 sent almost a year after you received your payment for	22 Q. Why do you think Mr. Malone waited a year to send
23 the \$6,962.00?	23 that letter?
24 A. Yes.	24 MR. MALONE: Objection. Calls for
Q. Did you see this letter at the time that it went	25 speculation. Also calls for the potential disclosure
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1 of attorney/client communications.	1 Q. So besides the Ascent and the CTS, what other
2 And I would instruct you, Vail, not to	2 vehicles have you purchased in your lifetime?
3 answer that question.	3 A. I
4 BY MS. WILTROUT:	4 MR. MALONE: Objection. I'm sorry. Hold
5 Q. So what did you drive after your what was the	5 on. Misstates prior testimony regarding the Cadillac
6 next vehicle that you drove when you started driving in	6 CTS and whether she purchased that.
7 2017?	7 But go ahead and answer nonetheless.
8 A. Well, I didn't get another vehicle for a year	8 THE WITNESS: The Subaru is the only one
9 and-a-half, but I was driving my parents' cars whenever	9 I've ever actually purchased myself. The other ones
10 they would let me. I wasn't allowed to drive a lot, and	10 were gifted to me.
11 I wasn't driving a lot. I was scared to drive for a	I had a Mercedes C230 Kompressor was my
12 long time.	12 first car, and then I had my dad and I switched
13 Q. So did you purchase another vehicle to replace	13 cars when that the Mercedes started having
14 your lost vehicle?	14 problems when I was in later in college, and I got
15 A. A year and-a-half later, yes.	15 his old Nissan Sentra.
16 Q. What did you buy?	And then I took that all over the country
17 A. A 2019 Subaru Ascent.	17 until it kind of died, and then that's when my
18 Q. And was that a new car?	18 grandfather gave me the Cadillac, because I was
19 A. Yes.	19 really in need of a car, and then I have the Subaru.
20 Q. And how much did you pay for it?	20 BY MS. WILTROUT:
21 A. I honestly don't know the exact amount.	21 Q. Did you purchase the Kompressor, the Mercedes 320
22 Q. Were you there when you purchased it?	22 Kompressor?
23 A. Yes.	23 A. It was a gift it was a gift from my parents.
24 Q. Did you negotiate the price yourself?	24 Technically, it was still in their name.
25 A. I probably didn't do that great a job of	All of my cars, except for the Cadillac and the
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Page 102 Page 104 1 A. No. 1 cars. Q. So in your Complaint, you are challenging the Q. On the outline, you said you referred to -- that 3 value of your loss vehicle which you received -- of your 3 you looked at before, do you have that in front of you 4 car which you received in December 2016, right? 4 during this deposition today? A. No. Well, sort of, but what I really am is like A. Nope. Q. So Ms. Fortson, you represent that you -- you 6 I am challenging that you all -- USAA did an illegal, 7 understand that you're representing a class in this 7 and they violated the law and the insurance policy with 8 case, right? 8 the unitemized and random adjustment, I mean, condition 9 A. Yes. 9 adjustment. That's what I'm kind of saying. Q. Okay. So you're challenging the calculation of 10 Q. And I should have asked you this before: Have 11 you received any e-mails during the course of this 11 the value and the payment that was made to you for your 12 vehicle, right? 12 deposition? 13 A. Yes. 13 A. If I have, I haven't looked at it. 14 Q. Have you sent any text messages? 14 Q. Okay. So that payment was made in December 2016, 15 15 right? A. No. 16 A. Yes. 16 Q. Have you sent any e-mails? Q. So why -- did you have -- you previously 17 A. No. 17 Q. Have you received any instant messages? 18 testified that you believe that that payment was not the 18 19 final payment; is that right? 19 A. I don't do that. A. It was never a settlement for the total loss, 20 Q. Have you received any --21 A. I don't even have that. So --21 yeah. It wasn't the complete one, but yes. Q. Okay. So why did you -- why didn't you ask 22 Q. So what do you know about the class of people 23 that you are representing in this case; how would you 23 Garrison for more money for your vehicle before you 24 describe them? 24 filed the Complaint more than two years later? 25 MR. MALONE: Objection. 25 A. You mean like the total class? It's a group out Page 103 Page 105 1 of North Carolina who are in a similar situation as me. 1 You can answer, if you know. 2 THE WITNESS: To be honest, I was probably Q. And what situation is that? How are they similar 3 in a better mental space and actually able to think 3 to you? 4 about it then. A. They are also owed money by -- they also have 5 BY MS. WILTROUT: 5 been afflicted by this condition adjustment from Q. Where are you taking this -- where are you 6 Garrison and have been -- they are owed money, as well, 7 answering these questions from today? 7 from Garrison. A. My apartment in Chapel Hill. Q. So this class that you're seeking to represent, Q. Do you have any roommates? 9 do you understand why Garrison owes them money? 10 10 A. Yes. A. Nope. Q. Are you alone in the room? 11 11 Q. And why is that? 12 A. Yep. A. Because they also deducted the same deduction 12 Q. During this deposition, other than on breaks, 13 from their total loss as they did mine to their totaled 14 have you received text messages from anybody? 14 cars. A. Yes, but just family or like random ones that 15 Q. Was it the same exact amount? 16 told me I have a package here. 16 MR. MALONE: Objection. Calls for 17 Q. Who did you receive messages from during the 17 speculation. Lack of foundation. 18 18 deposition today? THE WITNESS: I don't know. A. I got one telling me that -- from a shop telling 19 BY MS. WILTROUT: 19 20 me that something I ordered is in. I got one from a 2.0 Q. Have you reviewed any other claim histories of 21 package concierge. What else? Let's see. One from the 21 anybody else in the class?

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A. No, I have not.

24 anybody else in the class?

A. No.

Q. Have you seen any other Market One reports from

23 the deposition.

25 any notes?

22 family, my sister, and I think that's it while I'm on

Q. During the deposition, have you been referring to

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	Page 108
Page 106 1 Q. Would you agree that Garrison owed you the actual	1 A limit okay.
2 cash value of your vehicle	2 Q. Sorry.
3 MR. MALONE: Objection.	3 Okay. Would you agree that Garrison owed you the
4 BY MS. WILTROUT:	4 value of your vehicle?
5 Q under the insurance policy?	5 A. Yes.
6 MR. MALONE: Objection. Calls for a legal	6 Q. And how would you like how would you describe
7 conclusion.	7 what that value should have been calculated?
8 You can answer.	8 MR. MALONE: Objection.
9 THE WITNESS: What do you mean by cash	9 You can answer.
10 value? I don't understand.	THE WITNESS: Fairly. The way, I guess, you
11 BY MS. WILTROUT:	11 know, a dealer or somebody like regularly does it,
12 Q. So take a look at the document that I saved as	but other than that, I don't know, but fairly.
13 certified policy.	13 BY MS. WILTROUT:
14 A. Okay.	14 Q. And is it fair to consider condition when
15 Q. And go to well, first of all, take a look at	15 determining that value?
16 it and tell me what tell me what the document appears	MR. MALONE: Objection. Lack of foundation.
17 to be.	You can answer.
18 A. Notary.	18 THE WITNESS: Yes. I mean, you all gave me
19 Q. It may make it easier to ask if you would agree	19 the additional 130. So yes.
20 with me that this is your insurance policy with	20 BY MS. WILTROUT:
21 Garrison?	21 Q. So how would you propose handling the difference
22 A. Yes, it looks like it.	22 between class members and the different condition of
MS. WILTROUT: Okay. I'd like to mark this	23 those vehicles?
24 as Exhibit 5 to the deposition 6. 6. Thank you.	24 MR. MALONE: Objection.
25 (Defendant's Exhibit No. 6 was marked for	25 THE WITNESS: I don't know. That's in the
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1 identification)	1 realm of my lawyers to figure out.
2 BY MS. WILTROUT:	2 BY MS. WILTROUT:
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1 THE WITNESS: If they're random and	1 A. That I am doing it as a class, not just for		
2 unitemized, you can say they are inaccurate, because	2 myself, for other people as well, and that I am		
3 they came out of nowhere, and they're not explained. 4 BY MS. WILTROUT:	3 representing everybody else in the case, not just		
	4 myself. 5 O. Why did you bring decide to bring this co		
5 Q. So when you say that the condition adjustment is 6 random, what do you mean?	5 Q. Why did you bring decide to bring this c 6 an alleged class action?		
7 A. Okay. So the condition adjustment that you all	7 MR. MALONE: Objection.		
8 gave me that's \$130.00 was explained. It explained why.	8 Vail, if you can answer that without		
9 It explained how you came to that adjustment. It	9 disclosing attorney/client communications, yo		
10 explained every single measure, correct, in the graph,	10 answer that.		
11 in the chart on the CCC report on both of the CCC One	But if you cannot answer it without		
12 reports, but the CCC One report does not explain how	12 disclosing attorney/client communications, I would		
13 they came to the amount of the negative \$722.00. That	ask that you not answer that.		
14 condition adjustment is not explained. It doesn't it	14 THE WITNESS: I will not answer that.		
15 doesn't explain how they got to that amount, where that	15 BY MS. WILTROUT:		
16 amount comes from, and why it is taken out.	16 Q. So you understand that you are seeking to		
17 Q. Do you know if that condition adjustment well,	17 represent a class of other people that include insureds		
18 let me ask you this: Do you have any understanding of	18 of Garrison, right?		
19 whether or not you had the ability to ask for more	19 A. Yes. We're all within North Carolina.		
20 information about how the condition adjustment was	20 Q. All within North Carolina.		
21 calculated?	21 Including the time you've spent preparing for		
22 A. Once well, didn't Mike Malone do that in a	22 this deposition, could you estimate the time you've		
23 letter in November of 2017?	23 spent in your role as potential class representative in		
24 Q. So you're saying that that was that was	24 this lawsuit?		
25 that in 2017, your attorney asked for more information	25 A. Time is really hard for me to calculate with my		
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1 about the condition adjustment?	1 brain injury, but I can tell you what I've done. Would		
2 A. Well, I remember seeing in that whatever letter	2 that be easier for you?		
3 it was, I don't know if it was doing that or not, but it	3 Q. Sure.		
4 says, "Why is that there?" If that's asking for	4 A. So I participate in case and discovery. I'm		
5 information or not, I don't know, but	5 really involved with the lawyers and what they do, and I		
6 Q. And that letter was sent almost a year after the	6 continue to be involved. I am constantly involved in		
7 payment was made, correct?	7 the case. You know, I provide information. You know, I		
8 A. Yes.	8 stay involved with the case. I keep updated, things		
9 MS. WILTROUT: All right. Let's take a ten	9 like that, and I do everything that's required.		
10 minute break.	10 Q. Do you know whether there's a trial date set in		
11 THE WITNESS: Okay.	11 the lawsuit?		
MR. MALONE: All right. Thank you.	12 A. I don't believe there's a trial date set, but I		
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- 2 representing everybody, putting their interests before
- 3 mine.
- 4 But damages, I would like my -- the damages of
- 5 the \$722.00 plus anything else my lawyers think would be
- 6 necessary or appropriate. I think that would be right
- 7 if you're just seeking damages.
- 8 I'm also seeking punitive damages, attorney's
- 9 fees, and a Court Order for everyone for USAA to stop
- 10 using this condition adjustment.
- 11 Q. What is your understanding of who would receive
- 12 the punitive damages in this case?
- 13 A. Punitive damages would go to everybody that's,
- 14 from my understanding at least, that is involved that's
- 15 under the class action. That's my understanding.
- 16 Q. What damages are you seeking on behalf of the
- 17 class members in this lawsuit?
- 18 A. I am seeking attorney's fees and punitive
- 19 damages, a Court Order for USAA to stop doing it. I
- 20 want USAA not to be able to hurt drivers any -- drivers
- 21 anymore, not do this to anybody, and the money that
- 22 they're owed to other drivers that they've done this to.
- 23 Q. Do you know how that money would be calculated,
- 24 the money that they were owed, the other class members
- 25 were owed?

- 1 good condition; do you remember seeing that when we
- 2 looked at that together in the report?
- 3 A. And that's at 130, not at -- not at negative 722.
- 4 Q. So let's look at the -- let's look at the report
- 5 again.
- 6 A. Okay. Which one, the 2016 or 2017?
- 7 Q. I only have 2016 reports. The second one is from
- 8 2016, October 25, 2016 or October 26, 2016, rather.
- 9 A. Okay.
- 10 Q. That is Exhibit No. 4, I believe.
- 11 If you go to Page 10 of the report says, "CCC
- 12 makes dollar adjustments that reflect the impact the
- 13 reported condition has on the value of the loss vehicle
- 14 as compared to good condition. These dollar adjustments
- 15 are based upon interviews with dealerships across the
- 16 United States."
- 17 Do you see that?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. So that is why your mechanical condition was
- 20 increased -- the value was increased to 130, because it
- 21 was not good; it was very good. Do you have --
- 22 A. I'm not disputing that.
- 23 Q. Huh?
- 24 A. I'm not disputing that. I understand that.
- 25 Q. Then let's go to the next page, and let's read

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- 1 A. I do not. I would leave that to my lawyers.
- 2 They probably would know that.
- 3 Q. Do you remember getting a -- the condition
- 4 adjustment of positive 130?
- 5 A. Yes.
- 6 Q. What should happen with class members who were
- 7 given the upward condition adjustment on their vehicle;
- 8 should they get those?
- 9 MR. MALONE: Objection.
- 10 THE WITNESS: I'm not disputing -- okay.
- 11 MR. MALONE: Objection.
- 12 You can answer, Vail.
- 13 THE WITNESS: I'm not disputing that
- 14 condition adjustment. That condition adjustment is
- 15 explained and understood and given.
- I am disputing the unitemized and the
- 17 random arbitrary adjustment that is the 722 which is
- 18 under where you see Options and then Mileage, and
- 19 then there's a negative \$722 across the board on
- 20 every single comparable vehicle. I don't care if
- 21 it's under the three or under ten, it's \$722 every
- single time, and that is not explained or understood.
- 23 BY MS. WILTROUT:
- 24 Q. So CCC explained it in their report that the
- 25 condition adjustment takes the comparable vehicles to a

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- 1 the language on the bottom right-hand corner again. It 2 says, "The Condition Adjustment sets that comparable
- 3 vehicle to Good condition which the loss vehicle is also
- 4 compared to in the Vehicle Condition section."
- 5 A. Okay.
- 6 Q. So this condition -- would you agree with me that
- 7 the condition adjustment that's applied, which was 722
- 8 in your case, set the comparable vehicles to a good
- 9 condition?
- 10 A. No.
- 11 Q. Why not?
- 12 A. Because if that was the case, then there would be
- 13 the 130 right there which explains, not the 100 --
- 14 negative 100 and -- I mean, 722, which is not explained,
- 15 and it comes -- a number that comes out of nowhere.
- 16 Q. So if there's a trial in this case, would you be
- 17 prepared to testify?
- 18 A. Yes.
- 19 Q. Are you prepared to participate in a trial even
- 20 if it lasts several weeks?
- 21 A. Yes.
- 22 Q. And would you be able to attend a trial that
- 23 lasted several weeks even if it meant missing work?
- 24 A. Yes.
- 25 Q. And do you have any expectation that you would be

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1 compensated in your role as class representative through	1 CERTIFICATE OF REPORTER	
2 something like a Service Award?	2	
3 A. I understand that that's a possibility. I was	3 STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA)	
4 recently explained what that is, but only recently, and	4	
5 I know it's not a guarantee, but I also don't expect any	5 COUNTY OF GASTON)	
6 special treatment out of this.	6	
7 Q. So what are your expectations for a Service Award	7 I, JACKIE JOHNSON, the official before	
8 currently?	8 whom the foregoing deposition was taken, according to	
9 A. I	9 the emergency video notarization requirements contained	
MR. MALONE: Objection. Asked and answered.	10 in G.S. 10B-25, do hereby certify that the witness whose	
11 Go ahead.	11 testimony appears in the foregoing deposition was duly	
12 THE WITNESS: I just said I don't expect	12 sworn by me; that the testimony of said witness was	
13 that. I don't expect any special treatment. I'm	13 taken by me to the best of my ability and thereafter	
14 here for everybody.	14 reduced to typewriting under my direction; that I am	
	15 neither counsel for nor employed by any of the parties	
	16 to the action in which this deposition was taken, and	
16 questions.	17 further, that I am not a relative or employee of any	
MR. MALONE: All right. We're going to take	18 attorney or counsel employed by the parties thereto, nor	
18 maybe a quick two minute break, if that's okay.	19 financially or otherwise interested in the outcome of	
19 MS. WILTROUT: Okay.	20 the action.	
THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time on the monitor	21	
21 is approximately 3:01 p.m. We're off the Record.	Jackie J Johnson	
22 (A brief recess was taken in the deposition)	22	
THE VIDEOGRAPHER: The time on the monitor	23 JACKIE JOHNSON	
24 is approximately 3:04 p.m., and we're back on the	24 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES: August 30, 2021	
25 Record.	25	
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1 MR. MALONE: All right. We do not have any	1 ERRATA PAGE	
2 questions. We will read and sign, though, and that's	2 PAGE # - LINE # CHANGE AND/OR CORRECTION	
3 it.	3 (AND EXPLANATION)	
4 THE VIDEOGRAPHER: That's the end of media	4	
5 #2 in the deposition of Elizabeth Vail Fortson. The	5	
6 time on the monitor is approximately 3:04 p.m., and	6	
7 we're off the Record.	7	
8 (The deposition was concluded at 3:04 p.m.	8	
9 Reading and signing were reserved)	10	
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15	17 THE ABOVE CHANGES WERE NOTED BY ME ON THIS ERRATA PAGE	
16	BEFORE SIGNING THE ATTACHED ERRATA PAGE. I HAVE	
17	18 RETAINED A COPY OF THIS ERRATA PAGE FOR MY RECORDS, AND	
18	THE COURT REPORTER IS TO ATTACH THIS PAGE TO THE	
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22	22 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I HAVE SET MY HAND AND SEAL THIS DAY	
23	MY HAND AND SEAL THIS DAY 23 OF, 2021.	
24	24 NOTARY PUBLIC:	
25	25 MY COMMISSION EXPIRES:	

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